

phylogeny = topology + branch lengths
branch lengths = rate x time
branch labels for support values
non-standard tip labels



unrooted phylogeny



chronogram (rooted)



Input Data

- Molecular: DNA / RNA / protein
 - many genes; same or separate models
- Morphological (coded)
- Genome events: indels, gene order
- Many file formats!

Alignment

ACCCTAATGGTTCATG ACCGTAATGTCAT ACGTATTGGTTCAT AGCGTAAGGTTC



ACCCTAATGGTTCATG ACCGTAATG--TCAT-A-CGTATTGGTTCAT-AGCGTAAGG-TTC---

Many methods / models Know that sequences ARE aligned and HOW

Newick representation



= ((1,2),3)= (3,(1,2)) = (1,2,3) = [&U] ((1,2),3)



paml: ((1,2) #1, ((3,4) #2, 5), (6,7));

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Phylogenetic Reconstruction

Character

Species

2

- Parsimony → Cladogram ≠ Phylogram
- Maximum Likelihood = phylogram
- Bayesian Inference = phylogram



Maximum Likelihood and Bayesian Inference

- Both evaluated in terms of the likelihood of tree having come from the data
- Differ in the use of prior information and the exploration of parameter space
- Both typically use coalescent modeling and a Markov Chain Monte-Carlo process

	Character						
Species	а	b	с	d	e	f	g
1	Α	Т	G	G	А	С	Т
2	Α	Т	G	G	Т	С	Т
3	Α	Т	Т	С	A	G	Т
4	С	G	Т	С	Т	С	Т
5	С	G	Т	С	Т	С	А

Resulting trees and support

- Parsimony (Consistency Index and bootstrapping)
- ML (log-likelihood score and bootstrapping)
- BI (log-likelihood score, and posterior probabilities, and ESS scores from MCMC process)



Consensus and ultrametric trees

- If there are several trees that are equally "precise", then we have no way to differentiate between them, and sometimes the number of trees can be in the tens of thousands
- One common way to summarize these is to use a consensus tree, where poorly supported nodes (parts of the tree that differ among equally "likely" trees) are collapsed into a polytomy

Spp.	# trees
2	1
3	3
4	15
5	105
6	945
7	10,395
8	135,135
9	34,459,425
10	2.13E15
15	8.E21



Consensus and ultrametric trees

- How and which trees are summarized is rarely reported or repeatable
- Many analyses, such as time calibrated trees, depend on bifurcating trees (trees with no polytomies); typically researchers just choose one
- An ultrametric tree is one in which branch lengths represent time (aka a chronogram)
 - Not repeatable
 - Completely unreasonable to assign characteristics to a unit of analyses that may or may not exist

Divergence times

- For simple datasets, a tree imported from a previous analysis can be used
- BEAST allows for simultaneous estimation of a topology and calibrated nodes

– No longer repeatable in the form of the template

Potential Reporting Standards

- Exact parameters and results of tree search algorithm
- What models were chosen and why
- What and how many parameters were estimated
- Complete list of equally likely trees